

VAALCO Energy Announces 2nd Quarter 2007 Results

HOUSTON, Aug. 10 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- VAALCO Energy, Inc. (NYSE: EGY), today announced that its net earnings for the second quarter, ended June 30, 2007, were \$3.7 million or \$0.06 per diluted share, compared to \$10.5 million or \$0.17 per diluted share for the same period in 2006. Second-quarter revenues were \$24.1 million in 2007 and \$25.6 million in 2006.

"VAALCO's second quarter results are lower than a year ago, but consistent with our strategy of maximizing cash flow while preparing for the next phase of exploration in our West Africa properties," Robert L. Gerry, III, Chairman and CEO stated. "Operating cash flow remains ahead of year-ago levels, and our bank balances remain strong. Our earnings were primarily affected by non-cash items, including higher depreciation rates at Avouma and higher tax rates in Gabon this year."

VAALCO sold 351,000 net barrels of crude oil equivalent at an average price of \$68.77 per barrel during the second quarter of 2007, compared to 374,000 barrels of crude oil equivalent and an average price of \$68.42 per barrel in the second quarter of 2006.

Gerry said that VAALCO's new Avouma/South Tchibala development is producing water-free at approximately 7,000 barrels oil per day. The balance of the VAALCO's current production is coming from its Etame field nearby. VAALCO's June lifting from its Etame properties totaled nearly 680,000 barrels, its largest since March 2006.

Within the same Etame permit area offshore Gabon, development of the Ebouri field continues, with production likely to begin in 2008. Seismic processing of a new 400-square-kilometer 3D survey area south of Etame is nearly complete.

Onshore Gabon, VAALCO is conducting an aeromagnetic survey over its Mutamba block to firm up prospects for drilling in 2008. In Angola, VAALCO continues to develop exploration prospects for drilling in 2008 and 2009. VAALCO opened a new field office in Luanda in August.

For the first half of 2007, the Company earned \$8.3 million, or \$0.14 per diluted share, compared to \$21.5 million or \$0.36 per diluted share in the first half of 2006.

Crude oil sales for the first half of 2007 were 861,000 barrels of oil equivalent at an average price of \$61.81 per barrel compared to 886,000 barrels of oil equivalent at an average \$64.15 per barrel of oil equivalent for the first half of 2006.

Net cash provided by operations was \$26.5 million in the six months ended June 30, 2007 compared to \$26.3 million in the six months ended June 30, 2006.

Financial results:

(Unaudited - in thousands of dollars)

| | | ths Ended | | | |
|--|----------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--|
| | June | 30, | June 30, | | |
| | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | |
| Revenues | 24,128 | 25 , 575 | 53,259 | 56,812 | |
| Operating costs and expenses | 8 , 940 | 5 , 546 | 25 , 770 | 11 , 656 | |
| Operating Income (Loss) | 15,218 | 20,029 | 27 , 489 | 45 , 156 | |
| Other Income (Expense) | 464 | 480 | 1,140 | 594 | |
| Income tax expense | (11,329) | (8 , 677) | (18,521) | (20 , 797) | |
| Loss from discontinued operations Minority Interest in earnings | (24) | (14) | (51) | (729) | |
| of subsidiaries | (582) | (1,329) | (1,785) | (2 , 760) | |
| Net Income | 3,717 | 10,489 | 8,272 | 21,464 | |
| Basic Income per Common Share | \$0.06 | \$0.18 | \$0.14 | \$0.37 | |
| Diluted Income per Common Share | \$0.06 | \$0.17 | \$0.14 | \$0.36 | |

Other financial results:

| | Three Mont June | chs Ended | Six months Ended June 30, | |
|---|--------------------|----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| (Unaudited) | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 |
| Net oil and gas sales (MBOE) | 351 | 374 | 861 | 886 |
| Average price (\$/bbl) | \$68.77 | \$68.42 | \$61.81 | \$64.15 |
| Production costs (\$/bbl) | \$8.48 | \$7.87 | \$8.41 | \$7.07 |
| Depletion costs (\$/bbl) | \$11.59 | \$3.88 | \$10.14 | \$3.72 |
| General and administrative costs | | | | |
| (\$/bbl) | \$4.19 | \$1.17 | \$5.01 | \$1.28 |
| Capital Expenditures (\$thousands) | 1,740 | 5 , 059 | 7 , 772 | 8,477 |
| Debt/Proved reserves (\$/BOE) | | | \$0.72 | \$0.72 |
| Debt/Capitalization (\$/\$) | | | \$0.04 | \$0.05 |
| Cash and cash equivalents (\$thousands) | | | 72,404 | 65 , 955 |
| Working capital (\$thousands) | | | 72 , 736 | 72,720 |
| Total long term debt (\$thousands) | | | 5,000 | 5,000 |

Basic and diluted share information:

| | Thr | Three months ended | | | Six months ended | | | |
|------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|------|------------------|--------------|----------|------|
| Item | June 30, | 2007 | June 30, | 2006 | June 30, | 2007 | June 30, | 2006 |
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| Basic weighted | | | | | | | | |
| average common | | | | | | | | |
| stock issued | | | | | | | | |
| and outstanding | 59,124 | ,086 | 57,819, | 842 | 59 , 082 | , 113 | 57,651, | ,747 |
| Dilutive options | 1,156 | ,992 | 2,557, | 793 | 1,273 | ,363 | 2,543, | ,002 |
| Total diluted | | | | | | | | |
| shares | 60,281 | .078 | 60.377. | 635 | 60,355 | .476 | 60,194 | .749 |

The Company has scheduled a conference call on Friday, August 10, 2007 at 10:00 am CDT. Interested parties may participate in the call by dialing 1-866-868-1109 or from international locations 1-847-413-2404. Confirmation code is 18714576.

Conference Call Replay will be available beginning 1 hour after the conference is over and run through September 9, 2007 by dialing 1-877-213-9653 and entering pass code 18714576. International parties may dial 1-630-652-3041 and entering pass code 18714576.

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